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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE-EAST EUROPEAN ECONOMIC RELATIONS ROUNDUP

1. PORTUGUESE EXPORT PROMOTION INSTITUTE (FUNDO DE FOMENTO DE EXPORTACAO) HAS ESTABLISHED PERMANENT DELEGATION IN MOSCOW,
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HEADED BY ERNESTO DE MACEDO. IN INTERVIEW GRANTED TO FUNDO'S

PUBLICATION "FUNDEXPORT," MACEDO SAID THAT FUNDO'S EFFORTS, FORMERLY SERVING "THE MONOPOLIES" IN PORTUGAL, HAVE TO RE-ORIENTED TO BETTER SERVE SMALL AND MEDIUM COMPANIES. HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT FACED WITH SOVIET TRADING COMPANIES, PORTUGUESE TRADERS NEED TO ACT AS A "COMMON FRONT," THUS REQUIRING CREATION OF STATE OR PRIVATE TRADING "MECHANISMS" TO DEAL WITH SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. (NOTE: SUCH A STATE TRADING COMPANY WAS INCLUDED AS PART OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRAM (LISBON A-49).

2. PORTUGUESE PORTS HAVE RECENTLY RECEIVED "FIRST" VISITS FROM DIFFERENT TYPES OF SOVIET CIVILIAN VESSELS. EMBASSY RECEIVED WORD OF FIRST-KNOWN VISIT TO FUNCHAL, MADEIRA, OF SOVIET FISHING FACTORY SHIP. VISIT ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO RECEIVED NO MENTION IN MEDIA.

3. LAST WEEK SOVIET MERCHANT MARINE SCHOOL SHIP M/V "ZENIT" VISITED LISBON WITH ONLY SMALL MENTION IN PRESS. IT IS REPORTED AS 4,373 TON SHIP, CONSTRUCTED IN 1961, WITH CREW OF 52 AND HOUSING 152 CADETS. HOMEPORTED IN LENINGRADE, IT IS ONE OF 12 SIMILAR VESSELS (NINE LARGER). SHIP ALSO OPERATES AS GENERAL CARGO VESSEL WITH 2,100 TON CAPACITY. ITS LOCAL AGENT IS WIESE TRANSPORTES, SARL, ALSO CHANNEL FOR RECENTLY-DISCLOSED SOVIET REQUEST FOR MERCHANT MARINE FACILITY IN MADEIRAS (LISBON 1529).

4. LABELLED AS FIRST VISIT OF SOVIET PASSENGER LINER TO LISBON, "SHOTA RUSTAVELI" ARRIVED MARCH 23 FROM PANAMA AND SOUTHAMPTON.

5. ARRIVAL OF COMMERCIAL DELEGATIONS, WITH MISSION OF NEGOTIATING COMMERCIAL ACCORDS, FROM YUGOSLAVIA AND RUMANIA DURING WEEK OF MARCH 11 WAS LOST IN EVENTS OF THAT WEEK. IN CONTRAST TO PREVIOUS DELEGATIONS WHOSE ARRIVALS AND ENSUING DISCUSSIONS RECEIVED LARGE PRESS PLAY, THEIR ARRIVALS WERE GIVEN ONLY TINY ARTICLES WITH ABSOLUTELY NO SUBSEQUENT MENTION OF PROGRESS OF TALKS.
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